

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

09/706,296

Examiner

David Lazaro

Applicant(s)

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to the BPAI Decision 03/15/2006.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1,2,4,6,8-10,17,18 and 22.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
- (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
- 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

- ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08), Paper No./Mail Date _____
- ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
- ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No./Mail Date _____
- ☒ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
- ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
- ☐ Other _____


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SUPERVISORY PATENT EXAMINER


David Lazaro
June 07, 2006

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with John Harrity on 06/06/2006.

The application has been amended as follows:

Please enter the attached amendments (4 pages) to the specification and claims.

2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: In addition to the remarks in the BPAI Decision (3/15/2006), the primary reasons for allowance are the inclusion of the following limitations in each of the independent claims drawn to a method and computer readable mediums for inserting a toolbar into a webpage:

"determining a size of each frame in which the toolbar is to be displayed using the activation script inserted into each frame; comparing the size of each frame to a threshold size; and rendering the toolbar for each frame having a frame size greater than the threshold size." (as from claim 1, similar limitations in claim 17).

This subject matter is not found in the prior art nor is it obvious in view of the prior art.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably

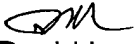
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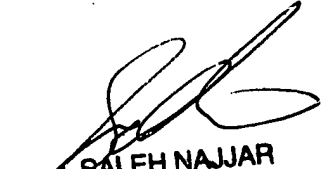
accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to David Lazaro whose telephone number is 571-272-3986. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:30-5:00 M-F.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Saleh Najjar can be reached on 571-272-4006. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 1, line 5, with the following rewritten paragraph:

This application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 60/235,513, filed September 26, 2000, and entitled "ENHANCED BROWSING ENVIRONMENT", and which is hereby incorporated by reference herein. ~~This application is also related to concurrently filed U.S. Patent Application Nos. X1, X2, and X3.~~

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 43, line 29, with the following rewritten paragraph:

The invention is preferably implemented in software, but can be implemented in hardware or a combination of hardware and software. The invention can also be embodied as computer readable code on a computer readable medium. The computer readable medium is any data storage device that can store data which can be thereafter be read by a computer system. Examples of the computer readable medium include read-only memory, random-access memory, CD-ROMs, magnetic tape, and optical data storage devices, ~~carrier waves~~. The computer readable medium can also be distributed over a network coupled computer systems so that the computer readable code is stored and executed in a distributed fashion.

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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (currently amended) A method for inserting a toolbar into a webpage comprising:
receiving a webpage at a server to be delivered to a client;
inserting an executable script into each frame of the webpage operable to render a toolbar in each frame when executed by a client browser, the toolbar including at least one link to a resource, the executable script being an activation script; [[and]]
delivering the webpage including the executable script to the client;
determining a size of each frame in which the toolbar is to be displayed using the activation script inserted into each frame;
comparing the size of each frame to a threshold size; and
rendering the toolbar for each frame having a frame size greater than the threshold size.
2. (original) A method as recited in claim 1, wherein the at least one link is a graphical link.
3. (canceled)
4. (currently amended) A method as recited in claim [[3]] 1, wherein the activation script determines whether the toolbar is rendered when the webpage is displayed at the client.
5. (canceled)

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6. (currently amended) A method as recited in claim [[3]] 1, wherein for each instance of the activation script, the activation script determines whether the toolbar is displayed in an associated frame of the webpage when the webpage is displayed by the client.

7. (canceled)

8. (original) A method as recited in claim 1, wherein the toolbar is a HTML toolbar, and wherein the executable script is provided in a script programming language.

9. (original) A method as recited in claim 1, wherein the resource is a remote third-party resource.

10. (original) A method as recited in claim 1, wherein the toolbar includes a plurality of links to different resources.

11-16. (canceled)

17. (previously presented) A computer readable medium including at least computer program code for determining whether a toolbar should be displayed in one or more frames of a webpage, said computer readable medium comprising:

computer program code for determining whether an activation script for rendering a toolbar is within HTML code for each frame of a webpage having more than one frame;

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computer program code for determining a size of each frame of the webpage using the HTML code; and

computer program code for rendering the toolbar in each of the frames of the webpage when the size of a frame exceeds a threshold size and not rendering the toolbar in each of the frames of the webpage when the size of a frame does not exceed the threshold size.

18. (original) A computer readable medium as recited in claim 17, wherein the webpage and the toolbar are further provided on said computer readable medium.

19-21. (canceled)

22. (previously presented) A computer readable medium as recited in claim 17, wherein the threshold size of each frame is defined by the activation script within the webpage.